Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 03 Nov 2020 until 23:59 on Wednesday 04 Nov 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 02 Nov 2020 at 11:31 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for a more settled outlook over the next 5 day period with high pressure building from the south west over most of Scotland by the end of the week. Lower confidence for shower detail on Tuesday.

Headline for Tuesday 03 Nov 2020: A cloudy day and a few showers about, these will be wintry above 600m.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 03 Nov 2020

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Sleet showers (night)	Heavy snow	Dull	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	60%	40%	20%	20%	20%	30%

Forecast for Tuesday 03 Nov 2020

Weather: An area of rain and snow will affect the North Grampians in the early hours, this will clear east shortly after dawn. A cloudy start however cloud will lift and break slowly during the morning with the chance of some brightness or sunny spells during the afternoon. A few showers around especially on western ranges around Creag Meagaidh and Loch Rannoch, these will be wintry to around 600m. More showers later in the evening and these may clump together to give a longer spell of rain through Tuesday evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around dawn 20% chance of clear tops with fairly extensive cloud based around 400-500m. By mid afternoon 70% chance with most cloud bases above the summits and just patches around 700m.

Visibility: Poor or very poor overnight and early on Tuesday morning in the rain and snow, soon improving to moderate during the morning and possibly good or very good by mid afternoon. Likely to be moderate again later in any evening rain and snow.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	18/24 SW	16/21 W	19/26 W	23/31 W	25/35 W	25/35 W	27/37 W	31/43 W	30/42 NW
900	16/20 SW	14/18 SW	17/23 SW	20/26 SW	21/29 W	21/29 W	21/30 W	25/34 W	23/32 W
600	12/16 SW	10/15 SW	13/19 SW	15/22 SW	16/24 SW	16/24 W	15/24 W	17/27 W	14/23 W
300	5/13 SW	6/14 SW	7/16 SW	9/19 SW	10/22 SW	9/21 SW	8/20 SW	10/22 W	8/20 W
Glen	4/14 SW	4/14 SW	5/16 SW	5/17 SW	6/20 SW	5/19 W	5/20 W	5/22 W	5/21 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-3/-9	-3/-9	-4/-11	-4/-12	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-11	-3/-12	-3/-11
900	1/-5	-0/-6	-1/-7	-1/-7	0/-7	0/-6	0/-7	0/-7	0/-6
600	3/-1	2/-2	1/-4	1/-4	3/-3	3/-2	2/-3	2/-3	3/-2
300	3/1	4/1	3/-0	3/-0	5/2	5/2	4/1	4/1	4/2
Glen	3/1	4/2	3/-0	3/1	7/4	6/4	5/2	5/2	5/2
Freezing Level*	1000m	900m	800m	800m	800m	900m	900m	900m	1000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Note the low freezing level, with wintry showers expected and possible accumulations of 2-5cm at higher levels from overnight snow. This will also allow for a noticeable wind chill factor in the fresh westerly winds on the higher hills.

Forecast for Wednesday 04 Nov 2020

Weather: A mainly dry and cloudy day with a few breaks likely. Some light rain or snow is expected early in the morning and later in the evening. Feeling very cold on the summits in the fresh northwesterly breeze.

Maximum wind: Northwest 15 gusting 25 mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Around 70%, patchy cloud around 700-800m may shroud the summits at times.

Visibility: generally good or very good but may temporarily deteriorate poor in any rain or snow in the morning and after dusk.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: Around 900m rising later in the day.

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